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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **YAMAMOTO, Nobutaka et al.**

Group Art Unit: 1636

Serial No.: 09/718,388

Examiner: **Konstantina T. Katcheves**

Filed: **November 24, 2000**

P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 3765

For: **METHOD FOR CULTURING CELL AND A CULTURE VESSEL**

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 22, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **May 20, 2003**, extended to **September 20, 2003**, by a one-month Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows: